

## **REPORT FOR INFORMATION – 11/11/15**

### **APPOINTMENTS PANEL 11th November, 2015**

Present:- Councillor Read (in the Chair); Commissioner Sir Derek Myers, Councillors Alam, Lelliott, Parker, Steele, C. Vines and Watson.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

Following a national advertising and search campaign, preliminary interviews with Commissioners and the Leader and an assessment centre involving Elected Members and Stakeholders, the all-party selection panel chose Ms. Sharon Kemp as their preferred candidate at final interviews on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

Ms. Kemp has been both an Assistant Chief Executive and Strategic Director (Reform) at the City of Manchester since 2009 and before that was for two years at Haringey as Assistant Chief Executive helping that authority in the aftermath of the Baby P. concerns. Prior to that she was for six years in Blackburn with Darwen working in Regeneration, and before that worked in Community Safety. She started her career with Greater Manchester Police.

All Members of the Council were invited by Lead Commissioner Sir Derek Myers to inform him by 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 of any reason why the Council should not confirm an offer of employment. No such reasons were submitted.

Resolved: That Ms. Sharon Kemp be appointed Chief Executive.